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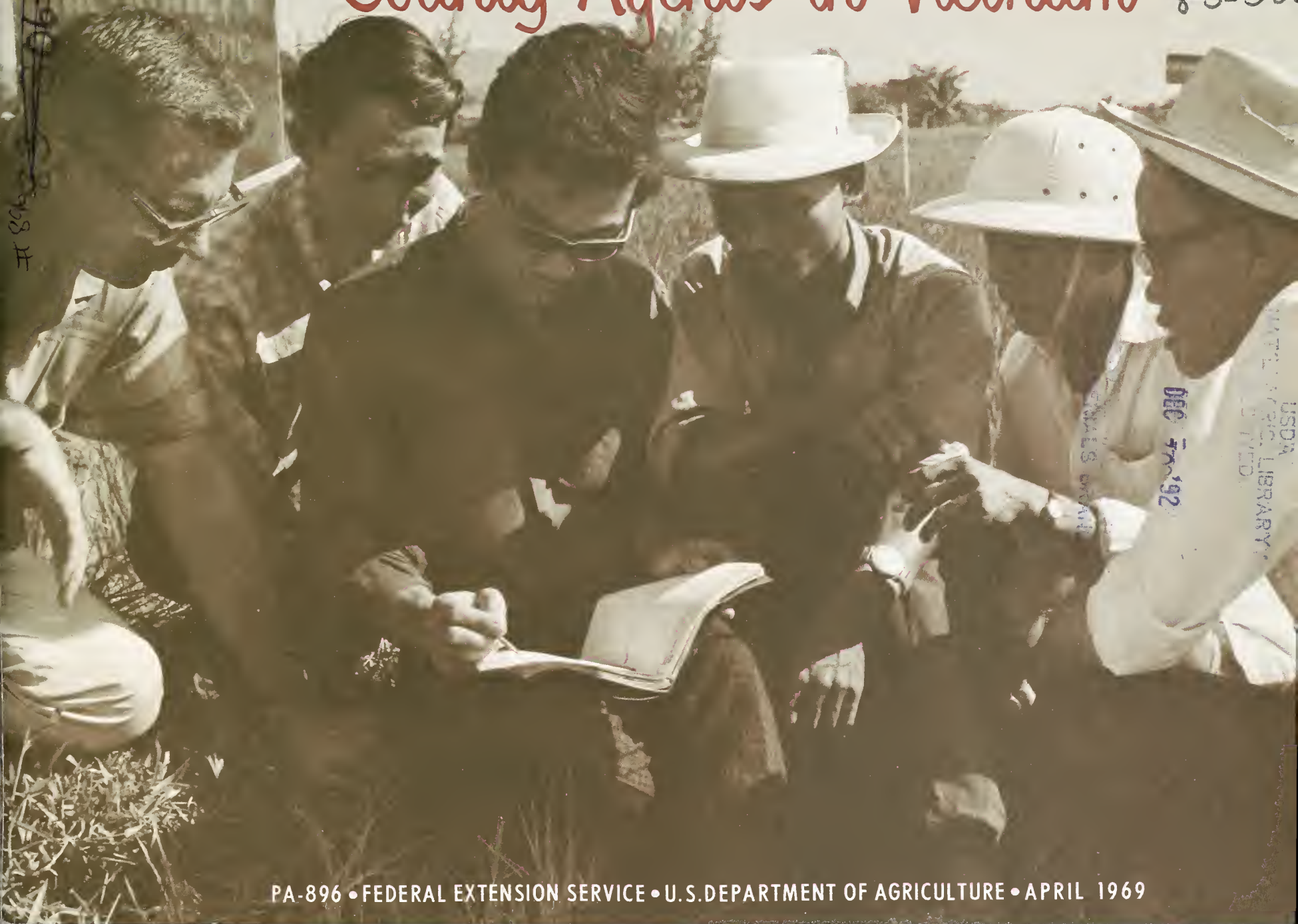
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County Agents in Vietnam

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INTRODUCTION

The United States is not waiting till war's end to help rebuild South Vietnam's agriculture. Scores of American agricultural technicians, financed through the Agency for International Development, are fighting the "other war" . . . the War on Hunger. As a result, farmers are learning new farming methods and joining cooperatives. Credit systems are being organized. New crop varieties are being tested and introduced to the farmers.

When the fighting stops, the agricultural community will have been prepared for a rapid recovery through the helping hands of USDA/AID advisers. In the meantime, hungry people are also getting more to eat.

Five types of USDA/AID projects are in progress in South Vietnam.

Agricultural extension work is the responsibility of the largest USDA/AID group. Their challenge is to establish effective communication among technicians, agricultural advisers in the provinces of South Vietnam, and the farmers to put development information into actual practice. The work of this group is discussed in greater detail in this publication.

Plant and seed multiplication technicians are working on a wide range of crop varieties to increase yield and improve resistance to disease. Already, the new rice varieties from the Philippines are producing triple the traditional varieties. With good water control, some of these new varieties can produce two and three crops per year, greatly increasing farmers' income as well as food supply.

A third group of USDA technicians has been introducing irrigation, land leveling and other techniques to gain the needed water control.

Establishing viable agricultural credit institutions and farmer cooperatives to help farmers get production inputs and services is the work of a fourth group of specialists. Major emphasis is placed on supervised credit plus cooperative efforts in purchasing, processing, marketing, storing, and distributing farm produce.

An agricultural economics and statistical team is working on agricultural policy and development planning, including making rice prices attractive to farmers, encouraging production of poultry and hogs, and strengthening commercial distribution of farm products.

Here is the story of the agricultural extension workers—the "County Agents" in Vietnam. . .

County Agents in



"What every Vietnam province needs is a good U.S.-style county agent!" declared an American agricultural study team touring the war zone in 1966.

These top-level experts reported that the war in Vietnam could not be won without gaining the confidence of the South Vietnamese farmers, who make up 80 percent of the population. They outlined a vigorous program for winning the war on the food front. As the military secured the provinces, they said, the U.S. should follow up with education on better farming techniques, to help the people rebuild what was once Asia's "rice bowl".

The Vietnam Agricultural Advisory Corps program grew out of that idea. It is still small in number of men involved, but it symbolizes progress in helping the people of the world learn to feed themselves. The Extension learn-by-doing philosophy is at the core of the program.

More than 50 of our best American "county agents" have served in the Agricultural Advisory Corps. They came from more than 30 states and Puerto Rico to man the "second front" in Vietnam, joined in the hard battle against human hunger.

Cover: Agricultural Adviser Ben McCully works with Vietnamese counterparts and technicians in planning IR-8 rice trials.

Vietnam



To this front, inexorably linked with the battle lines of a shooting war, each man has brought an inborn affinity for the land and the people who work the land. Each is armed with years of good technical training and a varied background of experience. He is motivated by a deep concern for humanity. He knows how to help both farm people and farm land yield their best.

At the universities of Florida and Hawaii, these agricultural advisers were given an intensive 6-month training program in Asian culture and tropical agriculture. Then they studied rice production in the Philippines and farmer co-ops and credit in Taiwan. This helped prepare them to apply extension teaching methods for solving Vietnamese problems.

The "county agents" are stationed in most of the provinces of South Vietnam, where they work closely with the staff of AID and U.S. military civil action groups. They are members of a team of experts in education, community development, health, and public administration.

They are only borrowed for this special job. Directors of State Extension Services and other employers are saying, "Here are some of our finest men. They are on loan. We want them back!"

These men of the Agricultural Advisory Corps return from their two years of foreign service wiser in experience, broadened in outlook, and with a more seasoned understanding of other cultures. Their ability to contribute to their home communities has expanded, and they are being welcomed as top agricultural leaders in their States.

Extension will need every one of them to help tackle the big jobs at home during the next decade, but meanwhile, many more good county agents should benefit from this once-in-a-lifetime Vietnam experience. For more information on salary and qualifications, write to the Office of International Extension, Federal Extension Service, U.S. Department of Agriculture, Washington, D.C. 20250.

A black and white photograph of a man, Bill Schumacher, standing in a field of tall rice stalks. He is wearing glasses, a light-colored short-sleeved shirt, and dark trousers. He is holding a clipboard and a pen, looking down at it. The field is dense with rice plants, and the background is slightly blurred.

three times MORE RICE

American "county agents for Vietnam" are taking the lead in that nation's push to plant 118,000 acres of the new high-yielding Than Nong-8 rice.

The first applied research test plot of this variety in Vietnam was supervised by Bill Schumacher, county agent from Greene County, New York. This strain of rice was first developed in the Philippines as IR-8.

In Binh Dinh Province, where Schumacher was stationed, plots of Than Nong-8 produced three times more than local varieties. They averaged 5.9 metric tons per hectare, compared with the usual local 1.8 metric tons. This yield is 15 percent larger than the 1967 record high average U.S. rice yield.

With proper irrigation and water management, Schumacher says, Vietnamese farmers can grow two or perhaps three crops a year, each with tripled yields.

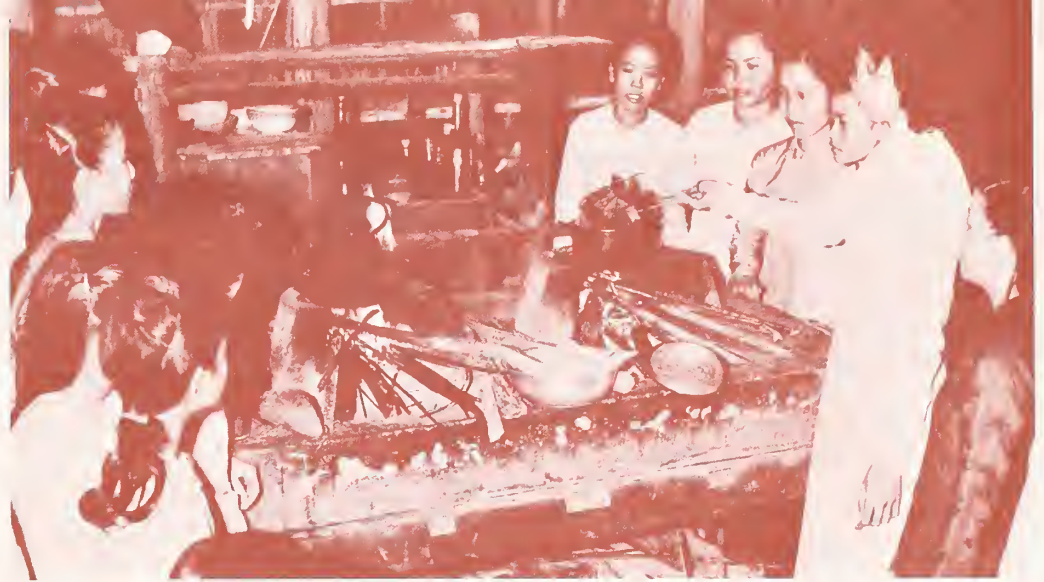
Tom Brackney, former Idaho Experiment Station farm superintendent, designed the training program for the National Rice Production Training Center in Bien Hoa Province. Jose Rodriguez works with trainees. Art Gelbach assembled 10,000 rice demonstration kits for distribution to farmers.

The Center is where Vietnam trains its government field workers in new rice technology. Their "teach-the-teachers" program seeks to quickly increase South Vietnam's corps of technicians who can help farmers use new methods to get larger yields.

All the "county agents for Vietnam" working in rice provinces are promoting the Than Nong-8 expansion program as Vietnam's best potential for big gains in producing desperately needed food.

Bill Schumacher checks experimental plots of new IR-8 rice.

Woman's WORK



A Vietnamese home agent demonstrates better cooking methods for better family nutrition.

As he walked the dikes among the rice paddies of Vietnam and visited the villages, Agricultural Adviser Charles Wissenbach was impressed by the number of women he saw working in the fields.

They worked long hours in addition to keeping house and feeding their families. He knew from his experience as a U.S. county agent that Vietnamese women extension agents were needed to help these rural women. Because most of the men were off to war, he knew, too, that to put his recommendations into practice for improved rice culture, the women must be taught the new production methods. They were the ones who planted and harvested the rice.

He figured that about \$200 (U.S.) a month would make it possible to put four Vietnamese extension workers in the field. As a resourceful county agent, he knew where to find the money and how to get it allocated to this project. With the help of his Vietnamese counterpart, four women were recruited. Miss Ahn, national home

economics leader for Vietnam, and her US/AID counterpart trained the new workers.

After their induction training period of 6 weeks, he began to see the frail looking figures of the new home agents moving about the villages talking with the women, demonstrating how to prepare a more nutritious meal, or perhaps, how to bathe a baby. As the young home agents worked with village women, some of the conversation was about using the new ideas on rice production. Family living is going to be better in those villages.

Officials are pleased with the women's work, and so are the local families. The proven Extension method of training local leaders to reach local people works so well in Vietnam that the program is now being expanded to recruit Vietnamese for training as "4-T" youth leaders.

Charlie Wissenbach would say, if asked, that he is just helping the Vietnamese people find new ways to solve their many problems, as he had helped the people back home.

broilers for **PROTEIN AND PROFIT**

In crowded camps, thousands of Vietnamese refugee families exist with limited food, on diets severely lacking in protein. Poultry is an economical protein source, and South Vietnam imports some 400,000 frozen broilers each year, mainly for large cities.

After studies pointed to broiler production as a practical project to help families earn an income and obtain more needed protein, U.S. agencies in Vietnam asked Harry Tavenner to plan a broiler project for 600 families in Binh Duong Province. Harry is a former county agent in Washington and Nevada, experienced in farming and the livestock feed business.

He first set up a pilot broiler project, with 200 chicks each for three families. He checked out details on costs of chicks and feed, taught farmers the know-how of broiler production, and explored market outlets in Saigon. One of his jobs was convincing local bankers that it would be a good credit risk to make loans for this project to help refugee families get back on their feet again.

The three families produced almost a ton of poultry meat in 80 days, used some chickens for the family food supply, and made a good net profit because of the short supply and the strong demand in the cities.

Harry found the Vietnamese farmers interested and responsive. They showed aptitude and ambition as they attended all the 16 training sessions. They learned to make their own equipment from bamboo, soil, tin cans and kerosene lamps. They followed directions in detail, and they had birds averaging 2.9 pounds ready for market 10 to 15 days ahead of schedule.

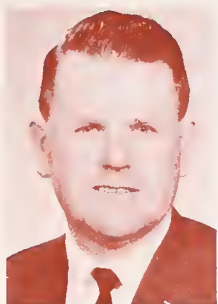
In a few months, hundreds of families were clamoring for feed, chicks, and know-how. Expansion could have moved faster, but the villagers did not know how to raise broilers and there were not enough U.S. personnel to help teach them. But the families who have learned in turn volunteer to teach their neighbors. Thus knowledge multiplies.

The broiler project can readily be adapted to other villages, says Harry, and the government of South Vietnam is adapting the project on a national scale . . . important progress in protein-short Vietnam.

Harry Tavenner helped this Vietnamese farm wife carry out a successful broiler production project.



These are the men who have served or are serving with the Vietnam Agricultural Advisory Corps.



W. L. Andersen
Gold Beach,
OREGON

Andersen, 44, Assistant Agent, later County Agent, 12 years total in Douglas and Curry counties, Oregon. Partner 4 years in 320-acre general farm. U.S. Army, Europe, 1943-46. Private pilot. B.S., animal science, Oregon State University. Agricultural Program Planning Adviser; formerly Field Support Adviser, Saigon.



Marvin Belew
Centerville,
TENNESSEE

Belew, 55, Assistant County Agent, 15 years, Carroll, Obion and Hickman counties, Tennessee. Manager, Chamber of Commerce, 5 years. Navigator, 1943-46, Air Transport Command. B.S., general agriculture, University of Tennessee. Agricultural Adviser, Kien Giang Province, transferred from Sa Dec Province.



Homer Barton
Jefferson,
TEXAS

Barton, 30, B.S., agricultural education, Prairie View A&M College, Texas. Assistant and Associate County Agent, Houston and Marion counties, Texas, 1½ years. U.S. Army 1963-65, including 1 year Korea. Who's Who in American Colleges and Universities. Agricultural Adviser, Chuong Thien Province.



Allen Bjergo
Whitehall,
MONTANA

Bjergo, 33, M.S., Extension education, New Mexico State University. Fulbright scholar, agriculture, 1962-63, Norway. County Extension Agent, Madison-Jefferson counties, Montana. U.S. Army 1955-57, West Germany. Deputy Regional Agricultural Adviser, Region IV, 19 provinces, Mekong Delta; promoted from Agricultural Adviser, Kien Giang Province.



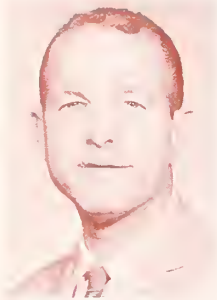
Richard Beams
Dighton,
KANSAS

Beams, 28, two years Assistant Extension Agent and County Agricultural Agent, Wallace, Sherman and Lane counties, Kansas. B.S., dairy production, Oklahoma State University. Agricultural Adviser, Kien Phong Province.



C. T. Brackney
Sandpoint,
IDAHO

Brackney, 46, Supt. and Assoc. Agronomist, 14 years, Experiment Station and teacher-researcher, 3½ years, University of Idaho. Extensive research in fertilizer, small grains, and wheat grasses. M.S., plant genetics, Kansas State University. Agronomy Adviser Crops (Rice) promoted from National Rice Production Training Adviser, Saigon.



Charles Brown
Rutland,
VERMONT

Brown, 44. Ten years inspector and supervisory inspector, insect control, USDA, 5 to 20 counties, N.Y., Pa., Vt., N.H. One year similar work Lebanon, Afghanistan, Iran, Syria. Four years as nurseryman. B.S., Cornell University, entomology. U.S. Navy 3 years. Agricultural Adviser (Extension Information), Saigon. Agricultural Adviser, Gia Dinh and Tuyen Duc Province.



Robert Dodd
Fonda,
NEW YORK

Dodd, 32, U.S. Navy 3 years. Lived in Australia, Germany, England, 1½ years. B.S., animal science, Cornell University. Three years, Assistant and Acting County Agricultural Agent, Montgomery County, N.Y. Photographer. Extension Adviser, Saigon; promoted from Agricultural Adviser, Gia Dinh Province.



Willie Bullock
Jackson,
MISSISSIPPI

Bullock, 29, B.S., vo-ag education, Alcorn College, Mississippi, 1962. Vo-ag teacher, Scott County, Miss. 3 years. Teaching, Future Farmers of America (FFA) and adult farmer education. Assistant County Agent, Hinds County, Miss. Agricultural Adviser, Phu Yen Province.



Leslie Ede
Riverside,
CALIFORNIA

Ede, 35, B.S., University of California, Riverside, 1960, soil science. Senior lab technician, 7 years, conducting complex lab and field tests of soils, plants, water, feed, fertilizer to solve farm problems. Agricultural Adviser, Bac Lieu Province.



Noble Dean
Kalispell,
MONTANA

Dean, 33, M.S., University of Montana, forest conservation, 1960. Six years as Assistant Agent and County Agent in four counties, Montana. Private pilot. Agricultural Adviser, Khanh Hoa Province; transferred from Quang Duc Province.



William Ezzard
Decatur,
ALABAMA

Ezzard, 56, U.S. Army retired. Platoon Leader to Lt. Col. Seven years North Africa, Korea, Germany, Vietnam. In Korea supervised rebuilding schools and public buildings. Vo-ag teacher, Assistant County Agent and farmer 12 years. B.S. and M.S., University of Georgia. Agricultural Adviser, Quang Tri and Hau Nghia Province.



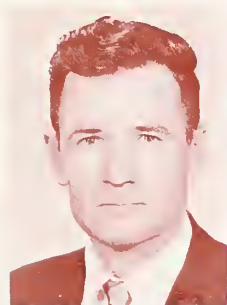
*Darrell Fenner
Bozeman,
MONTANA*

Fenner, 41. Irrigation-Soils Agent 16 years, nine counties and County Agent in Deer Lodge/Powell and Stillwater counties, Montana. U.S. Army, Japan. B.S., Montana State University. Experienced in working with Indians and as land surveyor. Agricultural Adviser, Kien Giang Province.



*Colon Godwin
Cullowhee,
NORTH CAROLINA*

Godwin, 41, B.S., agriculture, North Carolina State University. B.D., Southeastern Baptist Seminary. Vo-ag teacher 2 years, minister 5 years, U.S. Missionary 4 years Ghana; teacher, principal, construction supervisor. U.S. church college director 4 years. Agricultural Adviser, An Xuyen and Phong Dinh Provinces.



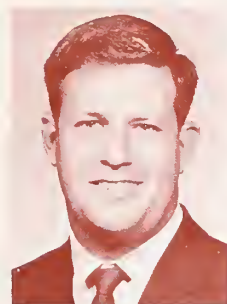
*N. E. Fine
Security,
COLORADO*

Fine, 39, M. Ed., Southwest Texas State College. Assistant County Agent, El Paso County, Colorado, 2 years. High school teacher, principal, rancher, and fisheries researcher. Awarded National Republic of China Medal for Bravery in Action, "Tet Offensive", February 1968. Regional Fisheries Adviser; promoted from Agricultural Adviser, Binh Thuan Province.



*William Hefner
North Highlands,
CALIFORNIA*

Hefner, 49, B.S., California State Polytechnic College. U.S. Marines 2 years, Southwest Pacific. County Agent, 2 years, Burke County, N.C. Field representative, 14 years, fertilizer-chemical companies, N.C., S.C. and Calif. Advised on fertilizer and insect control, supervised truck crop production, Agricultural Adviser (Plant Protection) Saigon. Regional Plant Protection Adviser, Region IV, 19 provinces, Mekong Delta.



*Arthur Gehlbach
Bloomington,
INDIANA*

Gehlbach, 28, B.S. soils and crops, Purdue University. Assistant County Agent, then County Agent, Monroe County, Indiana, 2½ years. Rice Kit Team, Saigon; transferred from Agricultural Adviser, Darlac Province.



*James Holderness
Moscow,
IDAHO*

Holderness, 43, M.S., farm management, Cornell University. With Doane Agricultural Service 11 years writing outlook reports on beef cattle, grains; set up western field office; supervised field editors. University of Idaho, head agricultural editor, 3 years. U.S. Army, Philippines. Agricultural Reports Officer, Saigon.



*W. H. Janssen Jr.
McPherson,
KANSAS*

Janssen, 36. Farmer 14 years, small grains and general livestock. Part-owner/operator grain elevator, McPherson, Kan. B.S., agriculture, McPherson College. Agricultural Business Adviser, Saigon. Promoted from Agricultural Adviser, Kien Hoa Province.



*Donald Knowlton
Green Mt. Falls,
COLORADO*

Knowlton, 43, B.S., agriculture, University of Maine. County Extension Agent, Park and Linden counties, Colorado, 5 years. Life insurance and business equipment representative, 4 years; managed own insurance agency. Agricultural Adviser (Livestock) Saigon; promoted from Agricultural Adviser, Phuoc Tuy Province.



*John Jordan
Caldwell,
IDAHO*

Jordan, 36, B.S., agricultural economics, University of Nevada. Farm radio broadcaster 1 year. County Extension Agent, Lyon County, Nev.; much work with Indians. Also bank farm loan officer, fertilizer salesman for 6 years. Fertilizer Adviser, Saigon.



*Michael Korin
Mulkeytown,
ILLINOIS*

Korin, 26. Two years Peace Corps agricultural work, Peru. Two summers Soil Conservation Service, Illinois, and sales, DuPont Chemicals. B.S., plant science, Southern Illinois University. Agricultural Adviser, Quang Tin Province.



*C. R. Kellerman
Moorhead,
MINNESOTA*

Kellerman, 43. Farmer, SCS conservationist, agriculture teacher, fertilizer and chemicals representative Dakotas and Minnesota 19 years. U.S. Navy Seabees, Okinawa and Japan. Commander, Army Engineers company. B.S., agriculture, North Dakota State University. Agricultural Adviser, Long An Province.



*Frederick Lenz
Boscobel,
WISCONSIN*

Lenz, 47, M.S., University of Wisconsin, adult education. Veterans agriculture teacher 12 years, Muscoda, Wis. Farmed 5 years while teaching. Area Extension Resource Development Agent, Grant County, Wis., 5 years. Agricultural Adviser, Binh Tuy Province.



Wesley Lynch
Charleston,
WEST VIRGINIA

Lynch, 48. Tanzania 1964-66 supervising 82 Peace Corpsmen for West Virginia University. County Agricultural Agent 6 years Kanawha County; 4-H State camp director 6 years; Statewide rural development leader 4 years—all in West Virginia. M.S., animal science, Michigan State University. Agricultural Adviser, Go Cong and Kien Phong Provinces.



George Otey
Dallas,
TEXAS

Otey, 48. Citrus chemist 2 years. Farm manager 9 years, Texas, 2,200-acre crops demonstration/research farm. Scientist 3 years; developed patents on humic acids used in fertilizers. Businessman 6 years. Pilot. B.S., horticulture-chemistry, Texas A&M University. Regional Soils and Fertilizer Adviser, Region III, 11 provinces.



Wm. B. McCully Jr.
Cimarron,
KANSAS

McCully, 40, B.S., agriculture, and M.S., agricultural education, Oklahoma State University. Former partner grain-livestock farm. County Agricultural Agent, Gray County, Kansas, 7 years. U.S. Army, Korea. Agricultural Adviser, Binh Dinh Province.



Arlie Pierson
Le Mars,
IOWA

Pierson, 47, B.S., Iowa State University, animal science. County Extension Director 15 years, Adair and Plymouth counties, Iowa. Bank farm loan officer 3 years. U.S. Army Engineers, Great Britain and France. Distinguished Service Award, National Association of County Agricultural Agents, 1962. Completed training, Asian Training Center, Honolulu, Hawaii.



R. K. Meisgeier
San Jose,
CALIFORNIA

Meisgeier, 29, M.S., agricultural education, California State Polytechnic College. Ranch hand 7 years. Vo-ag teacher 1 year, International Farm Youth Exchange (IFYE) delegate to Australia. Farm Adviser, Santa Clara County, Calif., 1 year. Agricultural Adviser (Extension Training), Saigon.



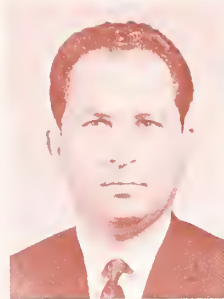
Thomas Ragsdale
Hyattsville,
MARYLAND

Ragsdale, 33, B.S., agriculture, University of Missouri. Grain marketing specialist, regulatory, 6 years, USDA, Kansas City, Mo., and Hyattsville, Md. Agricultural Adviser, Thua Thien Province; captured by Viet Cong during Tet Offensive, January 1968.



Wayne Reno
Ketchum,
OKLAHOMA

Reno, 49, farmer, Ketchum, Oklahoma, 12 years. Veterans agriculture instructor, 3 years, Oklahoma. Aircraft inspector 2 years Kansas. U.S. Army, Southwest Pacific. B.S., agriculture, Oklahoma State University. Agricultural Adviser, Hau Nghia Province.



Carmelo Sanchez
Mayaguez,
PUERTO RICO

Sanchez, 31, B.S. agriculture, University of Puerto Rico, 1963. County Agricultural Agent (coffee), Puerto Rico, 3 years. Crew leader, U.S. Agricultural Census. Agricultural Adviser, Bien Hoa Province; transferred from same duty, Phuoc Long Province.



Jose Rodriguez
Luquillo,
PUERTO RICO

Rodriguez, 29, B.S., agriculture, University of Puerto Rico, 1960. Agricultural Extension Agent, Luquillo area, Puerto Rico, 5 years. Agricultural Adviser, Kontum and Gia Dinh Provinces.



Max Sauerbry
Elkader,
IOWA

Sauerbry, 53, Soil Conservation Service, 6 years, Virginia. County Extension Director 12 years, Clayton County, Iowa. B.S., Iowa State University, agriculture. M.S., soil chemistry and farm management, Virginia Polytechnic Institute. Agricultural Adviser, Bien Hoa Province.



John Romig
Celina,
OHIO

Romig, 33, B.S., agricultural education, Ohio State University, 1959. IFYE delegate to Brazil. Two years each, 1960-66, as vo-ag teacher, Associate County Agent, Mercer County, and bank agricultural loan officer, Ohio. Deputy Regional Agricultural Adviser, Region II, 13 Central Provinces; promoted from Agricultural Adviser Khanh Hoa Province.



Dale Schlotzhauer
Chehalis,
WASHINGTON

Schlotzhauer, 47, 15 years poultry experience, incl. 1½ years Iran, 1 year Germany. County Extension Agent, Lewis County, Wash. Poultry farm manager. Mgr. franchise dept., breeding-research farm; surveyed markets in 46 countries. B.S., agr. econ. and poultry, University of Arizona. Agricultural Adviser, Gia Dinh Province.



*Wm. Schumacher
Catskill,
NEW YORK*

Schumacher, 47, B.S., Cornell University, soils and agronomy. County Agent, Greene County, N.Y., 19 years. U.S. Air Force glider pilot and instructor 4 years, North Africa, Sicily, Europe. Experienced in soils and conservation. Private pilot. Agricultural Adviser, Binh Dinh Province.



*Norman Sheldon
Minneapolis,
MINNESOTA*

Sheldon, 27. Five years at home poultry-livestock farm and hatchery. B.S., poultry science, University of Minnesota. Brazil 2½ years with Peace Corps and private foundation introducing poultry, developing communities, starting industry. Agricultural Adviser, Quang Ngai Province.



*Forest Scott
Portland,
OREGON*

Scott, 48. Four years County Agent, Coos County, and vo-ag teacher 11 years, Oregon. Iran, 2 years, starting agricultural college; Central African Republic, 2 years, training extension workers; both with Near East Foundation. Ed. M., Oregon State University. Extension Adviser (Training), Saigon.



*Billy Smith
Shreveport,
LOUISIANA*

Smith, 41, Associate County Agent 3 years, Morehouse Parish, Louisiana. Texas farmer and Louisiana Experiment Station worker 2½ years. Bank cashier 3 years. M.S., animal science, Louisiana State University. Agricultural Adviser, Vinh Binh Province.



*Dennis Sellers
Alpena,
MICHIGAN*

Sellers, 31, M.A., Michigan State University, agricultural education. Vo-ag teacher 3 years, Pellston, Mich. County Agent, Kent County, Mich. 1 year. Acting director, 4-county community action program, Alpena, Mich. Agricultural adviser, Khanh Hoa Province; transferred from Quang Duc Province.



*Harry Tavenner
Soap Lake,
WASHINGTON*

Tavenner, 40, Assistant County Agent, Elko County, Nevada, 4½ years, and County Agent, Grant County, Wash., 1½ years. Commercial livestock feed adviser, sales manager and farmer, Washington, 5 years. IFYE delegate, Brazil, 1953. M.S., animal reproduction and Extension education, University of Maryland. Livestock Production Adviser, Saigon.



Earl Topping
Bland,
VIRGINIA

Topping, 45, County Extension Agent 5 years, farmer 6 years, North Carolina. Manager, 4,000-acre Virginia State prison farm 2 years and assistant superintendent, another farm, 3 years. B.S., animal science, North Carolina State University. Agricultural Adviser, Binh Thuan Province.



Melvin Wakefield
Pendleton,
OREGON

Wakefield, 47. County Extension Agent, Davis County, Utah, and Umatilla County, Oregon, 4 years. Soil conservationist, Umatilla Indian reservation, Oregon, 12 years. U.S. Navy, Guam. B.S., Utah State University, agricultural economics. Land Reform Adviser (Training), Vung Tau, Revolutionary Development Cadre Training Center.



Lynford Tremaine
Auburn,
ALABAMA

Tremaine, 51, B.S., agricultural education, University of Wisconsin. Three years vo-ag teacher and County Extension Agent, Manitowoc and Rusk counties, Wisconsin. Artificial cattle breeding business, 20 years; manager and district sales manager. Agricultural Adviser, Ba Xuyen Province.



Louis White
Carthage,
INDIANA

White, 27, B.S. agricultural economics, Purdue University, 1964. Assistant County Agent, Henry County, Indiana, 2 years. Field inspector, soybean seed certification. Agricultural Adviser, assigned to Manpower Task Force, Saigon.



Joseph Veasman
Osceola,
ARKANSAS

Veasman, 37, operator large farm, Mississippi County, Arkansas, 10 years. Assistant Emergency Loan Supervisor, same county, Farmers Home Administration, 1967. B.S., soils, University of Missouri. Completed training, Asian Training Center, Honolulu, Hawaii.



W. M. Williamson
Huntsville,
TEXAS

Williamson, 47. County Manager, Agricultural Stabilization and Conservation Service, 14 years, Jasper and Walker counties, Texas. Three years State ASCS field supervisor. Owns beef, grass and fish farm. U.S. Navy, Korea. M.S., agriculture, Sam Houston College, Texas. Awarded Vietnam Agriculture Medal by Government of Vietnam Ministry of Agriculture. Agricultural Adviser, Sa Dec Province.



*Charles Wissenbach
Haydenville,
MASSACHUSETTS*

Wissenbach, 34. B.A., sociology, University of Massachusetts, 1956. County Extension Agent 10 years, Worcester and Hampshire counties, Massachusetts. Agricultural Adviser, Kien Tuong Province.



*Peter Wulling
Hackettstown,
NEW JERSEY*

Wulling, 39, vo-ag teacher 11 years, New Jersey. Had outstanding program of farm equipment maintenance and operation for young and adult farmers. Twice president of 100-member local Teachers' Assn. B.S., agricultural education, Rutgers University. Agricultural Adviser, Phong Dinh Province.



*Fred Zimmerman
Amity,
MISSOURI*

Zimmerman, 50. Associate County Agent and County Director, Henry, Hickory and DeKalb counties, Missouri, 13 years. Degrees in chemistry, agronomy and M.S., rural sociology/Extension education, University of Missouri. Veterans agriculture teacher 5 years. U.S. Army, Southwest Pacific and Philippines. Private pilot. Agricultural Adviser, Ba Xuyen Province.

WHAT IT TAKES TO QUALIFY

The men of the Agricultural Advisory Corps do not fit any rigid mold. They range in age from 26 to 56 years, with 27 of them in their 40's and 50's. Sixteen of the 51 have their M.S. degrees. Although 38 have worked for Cooperative Extension they've held a variety of jobs, and 12 of them have had previous civilian experience overseas.

The only qualifications required for the job are:

- College degree in agriculture
- Five years of Extension or similar experience
- Superior references
- Excellent health
- Passing score of 45 on language aptitude test
- Emotional stability
- Clearance on full field security investigation
- Above all, ability to work as team member.

